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Kerry L. Fink,
President

President's Letter

Welcome to May 2018!

So many great things are happening at the American Evangelistic Association. We have just wrapped up a wonderful time of ministry at the Spring 2018 64th Anniversary American Evangelistic Association Conference (look for full coverage and photos in our June edition), and our team is getting ready for travel to Israel to continue our Ministry work there in June.

People who attend our Conferences, both Spring, in Washington, DC, and Fall, in Melbourne, Florida, are often amazed to learn just how "world-wide" the reach is of our collective efforts. In fact, we decided to take a moment in this issue of AEA Spotlight, to report on some of the work AEA Pastors are doing in around the world. We are reaching into essentially every continent and are so appreciative of the tireless Kingdom-building work that these dedicated souls undertake in far flung, and often very dangerous, parts of the world.

Have a look through this issue and we encourage you to learn more about the good work of AEA Missionaries globally. Together, we all can make a difference.

Praying that you have a Blessed May and that this year will be better and better for you and your Ministry as we continue together - in the Name of Jesus!

God Bless you!



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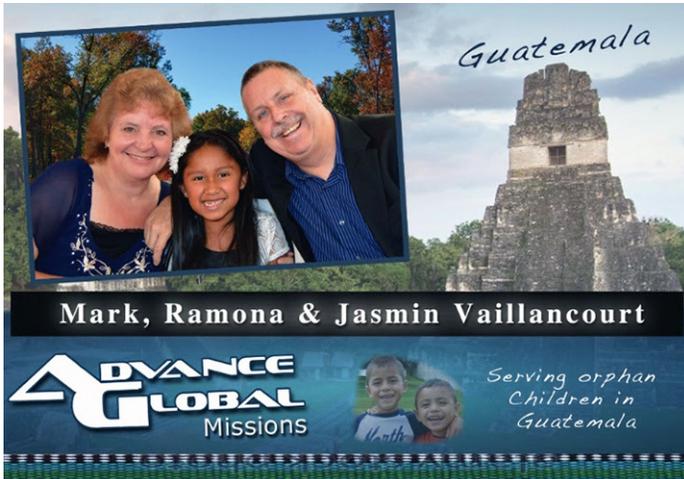


Is God calling you to go?

"My sheep listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow me."

John 10:27

Members Corner - Missionaries



Meet Mark, Ramona, and Jasmin Vaillancourt

AEA Pastor Mark Vaillancourt, wife Ramona and Jasmin are missionaries to the children of Guatemala and specifically with the orphan and endangered children of this country.

One of their goals is to find a safe and loving home for these kids. Currently, international adoption is closed in Guatemala leaving only nationals to adopt. Due to financial conditions in the country, adoption is not a priority for many people who struggle just to put food on the table for their natural families. Thus, adoption is rare. So when it does happen, we are so excited for the child and the adoptive



families. This photo is little Fernando who is being taken home to his new family. How can this not bring a tear to your eye.

Kids at Casa Shalom's are given the opportunity to attend school through high school and have

the chance to obtain a college education if they so desire.

But not all of Casa Shalom's children will have the opportunity for a college education. Many arrive never having a single day of school. For these kids their only option is to acquire a trade or skill.

Casa Shalom currently provides a Vocational opportunity for these kids to learn carpentry in their wood shop, animal husbandry on their farm, and cooking classes. As funds and staff



are available, they intend to add welding, plumbing, mechanic and electrical programs, as well as sewing and baking classes.

Due to their many friends' gifts of time and money, they can provide other necessities for these children. If you would like to help, they are currently down on their funds for 2018. They continue to trust God for His provision, and ask that you prayerfully consider helping them share the gospel in Guatemala. They need 30 people or families to commit \$30 a month to help them offset current needs and help them expand their ministry to the children of this needy land. They would truly appreciate all you can do. Your reward is eternal!!

You can contact Pastor Mark or make donations here - <https://www.facebook.com/Advance.missions.Guate/>

Ministry Opportunity

Casa Shalom is searching for an individual or couple to serve as missionary Campus Pastor for our children. If you feel called to disciple some of the most wonderful children on earth, and if you speak Spanish, our kids need you! For info **Email: Josh@CasaShalom.net**

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Meet Pastor Lourenço Buckman, Pastoral Support Service

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I remember an old refrain from the mission field, "If it's not something, it's something else." After the appendectomy with no infection, I had the green light to teach in Peru and Brazil. But then a bacterial infection started in my right leg. The doctors put me on penicillin after trying another antibiotic. So, the question was, "Should I continue to travel to Peru or not?" The Lord gave me peace, so I did. I was in pain all day and night. My skin was burning with knots growing in my calf and thigh. But all of this left me as I was teaching 33 men and women from 6 different tribes on Peru's Maranhão River. Marcos Costa, a Brazilian missionary, had organized the one-month training to advance their church planting skills.



Peruvian Pastors storying

Story time



In three days they learned and taught the 42 stories beginning with the creation of angels and finishing with the ascension of Christ. I taught the first story and then they took over. They worked in community groups who stood to tell the stories. After each chapter we would discuss how they taught the story and if they missed certain details. In three days they had mastered the teaching methods, and the stories.

When we teach chronological storying, we also teach doctrine, world views, Biblical principles while discovering their level of Bible knowledge. As we together find these truths, everyone realizes that their answers have value. They discover their own value in Christ. This is so important to indigenous peoples who for centuries have been made to feel inferior to white people. Now the old white missionary was sitting, asking the pastors to pray over his infected leg. And God began to heal me.



Marcos teaching church planting

From Peru I crossed over to Brazil to begin another conference for missionary youth coming from 13 ethnic groups. We had quite a team. Dr. Kathy

arrived from chilly Minnesota to teach health and hygiene. Marcos Costa, flew in from Peru, Edson, a CRU missionary arrived with Onésimo and Marilda. But for me the joy was



receiving our son, Ben, who came by plane and bus from across Brazil into the Amazon. He wanted to get a feel for the indigenous students and their needs. He had two meetings with the leadership of the four participating Bible schools. Several issues became very clear. No one had ever heard of Biblical counseling on the western side of Brazil. After they realized the Bible has all the answers to life's problems, they confirmed two dates for Ben and his team to return and teach just the missionaries. He'll have about 70 in Porto Velho and another 30 in Pimenta Bueno later this year. The missionaries want the course first, so they can in turn teach the tribal leaders. The more Ben talked, the better his Portuguese flowed. Their response was, "We need this counseling for ourselves. We have interpersonal relationships and marital needs. Take care of us first."

The high ground came when each of the 13 tribes committed to reach their neighboring tribes. I've been through 12 years of indigenous conferences where we look at the same map of Brazil and see 120 tribes without Jesus. This was the first time young missionaries stepped forward to reach 13 new tribes. One tribe they called, "Indians of the holes."



White Tribes going to Yellow Tribes

That's because they literally live underground. They have no tools, so they steal from the gardens of the Christian tribes. Recently they have shown up at the edge of the village. So, the Christians took a stalk of bananas and hung it on a tree. Moments later it was gone. I encouraged them to keep reaching out to befriend them. I was reminded of my dad who did the same from a canoe. Then there was Nate Saint who hung a bucket from his plane for the Waorani to exchange gifts.

Equipping these young missionaries was a new experience for us and them. They received a Life Principles Study Bible, a Chronological Story Banner, solar powered audio Bibles and backpacks with the Jesus film plus the visual aids for teaching health and hygiene. But the most rewarding transformation was to watch teachers from the Bible

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schools teaming up with their young missionaries to reach new tribes. To encourage the flow of stories and information we opened up two WhatsApp sites for Biblical Counseling and United Waves Brazil. The pictures and stories are beginning to flow. Suddenly, young missionaries who were working alone have an army praying for them. Now we see the effects of the Gospel through their eyes. Imagine what this could look like after four more training sites.



Going home with Backpack

Please pray for this schedule.

May 21- June 1, Irirí, MT with Baixo Xingu tribes

July 1-14, Filadelfia with Ticunas and western tribes of the Javari Valley

July 16-27, Aquidauana, MS sponsored by UNIEDAS with Terenas and southern tribes

September 3-13, Boa Vista, RR with Manaus region and northern tribes

Ben's Biblical Counseling courses:

July 19-21, Canaan Training Center, RO expecting 30 missionaries and pastors

November 15-17, JOCUM training center, Porto Velho, RO 70 missionaries

We have several urgent prayer requests:

1) We need people who are willing to take backpacks and solar powered audio Bibles to Brazil. If you know of work teams going down, please let me know.

2) **Onésimo and Marilda are forming a team to do single narration Jesus Films for new tribes in Brazil. We need one more person who speaks English and Portuguese for a two-year commitment. The training will be in Kona, Hawaii with a practicum in the South Pacific. All expenses for training are covered.**

3) Pray for a quick trip in April to the Wayuú in northern Colombia to set up their studio so they can record messages for their solar powered players.

4) Felix Valencia and I will be starting a MINTS training center with the Chachi tribe in northern Ecuador in June.

Now to the True and Living God who takes care of all our "somethings, and something else's," we rejoice in God's provision, care and sovereignty over all.

Even so, come quickly Lord Jesus,

Larry and Fay

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